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Request for Clearance

The Adjutant General (Decorations & Awards)

Dept of Air Force Hq USAF-AFPMP-12-C

17 Feb 48

Capt Williamson/ado/73831

Attn: Mr. Mangers

1. Request clearance by the Department of the Army of the following awards given to personnel, as indicated:

General Hoyt S. Vandenberg - Gra-Cruz da Ordem de Avis Major John M. White, Jr. - Oficialto da Ordem de Avis Major William R. Smith - Merito Militar de 2ª Classe

2. The above awards were presented on 12 February 1948, to the recipients by Mr. Santos Costa, Portuguese Minister of War.

FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF:

/s/ C. W. Baldwin, Maj, USAF for: ROBERT M. CALDWELL Colonel, USAF Office, Director of Military Personnel

TO: Office, Chief of Staff FRO United States Air Force ATTN: Capt Laurence D. Williamson Room 5D 175, The Pentagon

FROM: D & A Branch Room 5C 742 son The Pentagon

DATE: 17 Feb 48 COMMENT No.2 Lt Col Elliot/4211/ek

Authority is hereby granted for the subject officers to accept and wear the Portugese decorations as indicated in Comment No. 1.

FOR THE ADJUTANT GENERAL:

/s/ G. D. Gardner
G. D. GARDNER
Chief, Decorations & Awards Br.,
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L. D. Williamson Capt, USAF